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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated October 18, 2005 (the period for response to which has been extended from January 18, 2006 until **April 18, 2006**, by virtue of the petition for extension of time filed herewith together with the applicable extension fee), wherein the Examiner finally rejected claims 1-5 and 7-13.

A check in the amount of \$500.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the appeal fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0930.

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